



General Assembly

Distr.: General
29 November 2002

Original: English

Fifty-seventh session

Agenda item 150

**Financing of the United Nations Mission in the
Central African Republic**

Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic

Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report provides details on the final disposition of the assets of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic (MINURCA). The inventory value of the assets of the Mission as at 30 April 2000 amounted to some \$12.5 million, 52.5 per cent (\$6,545,300) of which has been transferred to other peacekeeping operations or the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, for temporary storage. The remaining 47.5 per cent relates to assets that have been disposed of in the Mission area (\$3,058,700) or reported as written off (\$2,842,400) or as lost (\$20,500). The disposal of MINURCA's assets has been guided by the principles endorsed by the General Assembly in section VII of its resolution 49/233 A.

The action to be taken by the General Assembly is set out in paragraph 6 of the present report.



Contents

	<i>Paragraphs</i>	<i>Page</i>
Abbreviations		3
I. Introduction	1-2	4
II. Classification and disposition of the assets of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic	3-5	4
III. Action to be taken by the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session	6	6
Annexes		
I. Summary of the final disposition of assets		7
II. Property transferred to other missions		9
III. Property sold		11
IV. Property written off or lost		13

Abbreviations

BONUCA	United Nations Peace-building Support Office in the Central African Republic
FALD	Field Administration and Logistics Division
HF	high frequency
INMARSAT	International Mobile Satellite Organization
MONUC	United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
UHF	ultra-high frequency
UNAMSIL	United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone
UNHQ	United Nations Headquarters
UNLB	United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi
UNMIK	United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo
UNOA	United Nations Office in Angola
UNOB	United Nations Office in Burundi
UNOGBIS	United Nations Peace-building Support Office in Guinea-Bissau
VHF	very high frequency

I. Introduction

1. The United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic (MINURCA) was established by the Security Council by its resolution 1159 (1998) of 27 March 1998 for an initial period of three months, from 15 April until 15 July 1998. The mandate of the Mission was extended by subsequent Security Council resolutions, the latest being resolution 1271 (1999) of 22 October 1999, by which the Council, *inter alia*, decided to extend its mandate until 15 February 2000 with a view to ensuring a short and gradual transition from United Nations peacekeeping involvement in the Central African Republic to a post-conflict peace-building presence with the aid of the relevant United Nations agencies and programmes, the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

2. In a presidential statement of 10 February 2000 (S/PRST/2000/5), the Security Council commended MINURCA and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the contribution they had made to the restoration of peace and security in the Central African Republic and their important and tangible support for the holding of free and fair legislative and presidential elections, the restructuring of the security forces, the training of the police force and the launching of vital reforms in the political, social and economic fields in that country. The Council also expressed its thanks to all countries that took part in and contributed to the success of MINURCA, particularly troop-contributing countries, and welcomed the decision of the Secretary-General to establish the United Nations Peace-building Support Office in the Central African Republic (BONUCA) for an initial period of one year, beginning on 15 February 2000.

II. Classification and disposition of the assets of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic

3. The disposition of the assets of MINURCA was guided by the proposals of the Secretary-General contained in his report of 25 May 1994 (see A/48/945, para. 110) and by the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report of 18 November 1994 (see A/49/664, para. 116). Those proposals, endorsed by the General Assembly in section VII of its resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, were as follows:

(a) Equipment in good condition that conforms to established standardization or is considered compatible with existing equipment will be redeployed to other United Nations operations elsewhere in the world or will be placed in reserve to form start-up kits for use by future missions;

(b) Equipment not required by other peacekeeping missions but that may be useful for operations of other United Nations agencies, international organizations or non-governmental organizations, and that it is not feasible to keep in reserve, will be sold to a relevant agency or organization;

(c) Any equipment or property not required or that it is not feasible to dispose of in the above manner or that is in poor condition will be subject to commercial disposal in the area of operations, following standard United Nations regulations and procedures;

(d) Any surplus mission assets remaining after disposition under the terms referred to in subparagraphs (a) to (c) above, and/or any assets that have already been installed in the country and that, if dismantled, would in fact set back the rehabilitation process of the country, will be contributed to the duly recognized Government of the relevant country. This refers in particular to airfield installations and equipment, bridges and mine-clearing equipment. All efforts should be made to obtain from the Government concerned its agreement to compensate the United Nations in a mutually acceptable form (contributions, services, tax exemption, etc.) for the residual value of any surplus mission assets installed in the country that could not be otherwise disposed of. The General Assembly should, as a matter of principle, be requested to approve any such disposition of mission assets that would provide for free-of-charge contribution to the Government.

4. Based on the inventory records of 30 April 2000, the inventory value of the assets of MINURCA was established at \$12,466,900 million, categorized as follows: prefabricated buildings (\$195,500), vehicular equipment (\$3,644,100), communications equipment (\$4,034,900), office equipment (\$368,000), electronic data-processing equipment (\$2,154,000), generators (\$593,000), observation equipment (\$151,200), petrol tank plus metering equipment (\$218,300), medical and dental equipment (\$500), accommodation equipment (\$238,100), refrigeration equipment (\$345,100), miscellaneous equipment (\$497,900) and water purification equipment (\$26,300).

5. In accordance with the principles and policies recalled in paragraph 3 above, the assets of MINURCA have been placed into three groups and four subgroups, as also presented in summarized form in annex I and in detailed form in annexes II to IV:

(a) Group I assets (items classified as meeting the requirements of other United Nations missions) had an inventory value of \$6,545,300, which is 52.5 per cent of the total. As detailed in annex II, these assets were transferred to other missions, or to the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, for temporary storage pending future use, or to activities financed under the United Nations regular budget;

(b) Group II assets comprised equipment disposed of in the mission area. As shown in annex III, such equipment that was sold had an inventory value of \$3,058,700 and a sales value of \$396,700. Non-expendable equipment represented 24.5 per cent of the total inventory value and was sold to other United Nations agencies, non-governmental organizations, the Government of the Central African Republic and, through public bidding, third-party individuals;

Table 1
Sale of assets of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic
 (United States dollars)

<i>Sold to</i>	<i>Inventory value</i>	<i>Sale value</i>
United Nations agencies	37 400	22 500
Government of the Central African Republic and local institutions	677 500	170 300
Individuals (non-United Nations staff members)	2 343 800	203 900
Total	3 058 700	396 700

(c) No assets are reported under subgroup II (b) since no assets installed in the Mission area were donated to the host Government;

(d) The group III assets classification is for equipment written off or lost, with a total original value of \$2,862,700 (23 per cent of the total value) and a residual value of \$1,086,800. As shown in annex IV, these assets consist of:

(i) Subgroup (a): equipment written off, with an inventory value of \$2,842,400 and a residual value of \$1,074,800;

(ii) Subgroup (b): equipment lost, with an inventory value of \$20,500 and a residual value of \$12,000;

(e) The lost items have been written off by the Field Administration and Logistics Division and the Headquarters Property Survey Board.

III. Action to be taken by the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session

6. The action to be taken by the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session in connection with the financing of MINURCA is to take note of the report on the final disposition of the assets of the Mission.

Annex I

Summary of the final disposition of assets (Thousands of United States dollars)

Category of assets	Group I Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage in UNLB				Group II Disposed of in the Mission area				Group III Mission offices			
	Subgroup (a)		Subgroup (b)		Subgroup (a)		Subgroup (b)		Subgroup (a)		Subgroup (b)	
	Quantity	Inventory value	Percentage of total inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Percentage of total inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value
Prefabricated buildings												
Abdullah units	-	-	-	1	1.5	7.8	-	-	11	17.8	92.2	-
Accommodation units	-	-	-	4	13.6	53.0	-	-	3	12.1	47.0	-
Kitchen units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Radio telephone	-	-	-	47	64.9	43.1	-	-	62	85.6	56.9	-
Technical	-	-	-	52	88.8	48.9	-	-	76	115.5	98.1	-
Vehicle equipment												
Light vehicles	113	1 460.7	63.6	3	64.0	2.8	-	-	61	770.9	33.6	-
Medium vehicles	-	-	-	80	1 036.4	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heavy vehicles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engineering equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal hauling equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Armoured vehicles (military)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Armoured vehicles (civilian)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motorcycles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transport units and equipment	35	22.5	7.2	50	237.0	75.9	-	-	35	52.6	18.9	-
Technical	133	1 483.2	48.7	133	1 337.4	96.7	-	-	86	833.5	23.4	-
Communications equipment												
Transmitters	33	135.8	38.0	264	207.4	99.3	-	-	8	4.2	1.8	-
Receivers	43	345.3	55.4	40	83.2	33.4	-	-	95	194.5	31.2	-
Radio equipment	-	-	-	217	1 643.9	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
HF equipment	64	748.4	90.9	-	-	-	-	-	10	74.8	9.1	-
VHF/UHF equipment	340	183.7	28.2	-	-	-	-	-	120	448.3	71.8	-
Broadcasting equipment	58	402.5	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	164	133.1	24.6	-
Power supply equipment	18	28.5	18.2	9	74.3	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tools and other equipment	64	160.8	57.4	42	32.0	10.8	-	-	3	3.8	11.8	-
Technical	1 096	2 476.4	61.4	999	541.8	13.9	-	-	492	993.1	34.4	-
Office equipment												
Photocopiers	58	189.1	62.0	18	43.0	14.1	-	-	39	72.7	23.9	-
Computers	19	11.4	21.4	37	24.1	45.2	-	-	58	17.2	32.3	-
Office equipment	10	5.6	56.6	2	2.1	21.2	-	-	3	2.2	22.2	-
Technical	85	206.1	56.6	58	49.3	18.8	-	-	99	93.1	28.8	-
Data processing equipment												
Desktop computers	220	332.2	43.5	140	250.3	32.8	-	-	110	179.4	23.5	-
Laptop computers	43	167.7	52.6	24	66.2	28.8	-	-	36	64.8	26.6	-
Peripherals	178	131.0	29.3	170	244.9	54.9	-	-	182	40.9	13.7	-
Monitors	212	80.5	42.4	142	63.7	33.5	-	-	154	43.5	23.9	-
Services	4	89.8	59.4	-	-	-	-	-	3	61.3	48.6	-
Tools and other equipment	42	141.9	49.0	93	56.0	19.7	-	-	120	86.4	30.4	-
Technical	779	953.1	43.8	549	681.1	31.6	-	-	639	937.3	34.5	-
Construction												
Construction equipment	66	532.3	89.8	5	34.3	4.1	-	-	8	36.4	6.1	-
Observation equipment												
Observation equipment	1	0.2	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	0.0	-
High education services	45	120.8	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Technical	46	121.8	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	1	6.3	6.1	-
Technical	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

A/57/631

Group 1				Group 2				Group 3				
Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage in UNLEA				Deposited in the Mission area				Written off/lost				
Comptroller of customs		Percentage of total inventory value		Subgroup (a) Sold		Subgroup (b) Unsold		Subgroup (a) Written off		Subgroup (b) Lost		
Quantity	Inventory value	Percentage of total inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Percentage of total inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Percentage of total inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value
Food and other supplies												
33	76.3	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	76.3
15	142.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	142.0
38	218.3	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	218.3
Medical and dental equipment												
1	0.5	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.5
1	0.5	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.5
Accommodation equipment												
-	-	-	172	511.9	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	172	511.9
-	-	-	160	71.2	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	160	71.2
36	35.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	35.0
36	35.0	100.0	352	285.1	89.3	-	-	-	-	-	378	285.1
Refrigeration equipment												
83	27.4	26.3	58	33.2	34.9	-	-	93	32.6	41.4	8	4.1
9	225.9	89.7	22	9.9	3.8	-	-	2	14.0	6.4	32	251.8
91	353.3	75.4	80	33.1	9.6	-	-	95	54.6	15.8	40	4.1
Miscellaneous equipment												
58	29.7	31.1	53	29.1	30.4	-	-	49	34.8	38.5	-	-
187	81.1	53.4	75	27.3	19.0	-	-	90	41.3	27.2	7	2.2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	-	0.2
2	1.1	10.7	-	-	-	-	-	28	9.2	39.3	36	14.3
14	5.8	60.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	5.8
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	21.0	39.7	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.0	100.0	-	-
37	6.3	10.6	-	-	-	-	-	83	30.1	56.9	5	1.8
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	172	51.1	89.6	1	0.5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	2.8
23	1.0	39.6	-	-	-	-	-	7	4.3	47.2	1	1.2
11	23.9	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	9.1
9	2.7	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	23.9
32	37.6	49.3	12	11.3	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.7
30	22.0	58.7	5	1.0	2.1	-	-	45	22.9	47.8	1	0.4
435	328.4	44.3	145	48.7	13.8	-	-	499	199.7	48.1	33	28.8
Water purification equipment												
9	26.3	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	26.3
3,795	6,445.3	93.8	1,993	3,648.7	54.5	-	-	1,966	2,842.4	22.8	43	38.5
Total												12,666.9

(Thousands of United States dollars)

1

Category of assets	United Nations agencies and UNCTAD				Governments and local institutions				Individuals from United Nations staff members				Others				Total assets sold			
	Quantity	Inventory value	Residual value	Sale value	Quantity	Inventory value	Residual value	Sale value	Quantity	Inventory value	Residual value	Sale value	Quantity	Inventory value	Residual value	Sale value	Quantity	Inventory value	Residual value	Sale value
Refrigeration equipment																				
Refrigerators	2	1.0	0.3	0.3	-	-	-	-	58	23.2	12.4	4.6	-	-	-	-	58	23.2	12.4	4.6
Refrigeration compressors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	9.9	7.1	1.8	-	-	-	-	22	9.9	7.1	1.8
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	33.1	19.5	6.4	-	-	-	-	80	33.1	19.5	6.4
Miscellaneous equipment																				
Air conditioners	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	28.1	18.7	6.2	-	-	-	-	31	28.1	18.7	6.2
Refrigeration equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75	27.1	18.2	5.7	-	-	-	-	75	27.1	18.2	5.7
Refrigeration compressors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Electrical equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household appliances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kitchen equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lighting equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photographic equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Printing equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Specialty equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tools, general purpose	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	11.3	7.9	2.4	-	-	-	-	12	11.3	7.9	2.4
Workshop equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.0	0.4	1.2	-	-	-	-	5	1.0	0.4	1.2
Subtotal	2	1.0	0.3	0.3	-	-	-	-	143	67.7	45.2	18.5	-	-	-	-	145	68.7	45.5	19.8
Water purification equipment																				
Water purifiers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	18	37.4	22.5	22.5	64	677.5	173.6	178.3	1 919	2 343.8	986.1	283.9	-	-	-	-	1 983	3 058.7	1 183.6	396.7

Property written off or lost
(Thousands of United States dollars)

A/57/631

Category	Region and sub-region			Country			Total			Total		
	Number	Percentage	Value	Number	Percentage	Value	Number	Percentage	Value	Number	Percentage	Value
Alcoholic beverages	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Wine	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Beer	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other alcoholic beverages	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Non-alcoholic beverages	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Soft drinks	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other non-alcoholic beverages	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Food	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Grains	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Vegetables	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Fruits	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Meat	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other food	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Transportation	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Passenger transport	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Freight transport	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other transportation	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Health	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other health	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Education	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other education	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Recreation and culture	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other recreation and culture	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Other	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0	10	10.0	10.0
Total	100	100.0	100.0	100	100.0	100.0	100	100.0	100.0	100	100.0	100.0